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Schedule of Events:

Noon - Minden Makeover - a community challenge to pick up garbage and recycle.

1 pm - Tour of R.D. Lawrence Place's new exhibits by Sharon Lawrence.

2 pm - Reading from R.D. Lawrence's The Poison Makers Talk by World Wildlife Federation spokesperson about The Good Life project. Discussion about current local environmental initiatives. Admission for Talk & Tour: \$5.

4pm - Launch of 150 Acts of Green Challenge, with a ceremonial planting.

4:15pm - Out Loud Womyn's Choir perform Earth Charter music.

Admission: free.

R.D. Lawrence Place is challenging schools, community groups, businesses and the public to pitch in for 20 minutes on Earth Day and give Minden a makeover. We are also challenging people to send us information about their green acts so that we can build an online list at www.mindenculturalcentre.com of 150 Acts of Green in celebration of Minden's 150th Sesquicentennial. For details email rdlawrence-place@mindenhill.ca



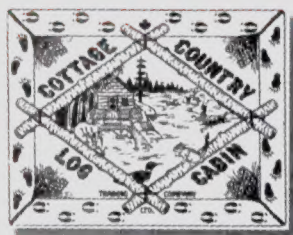
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The Commemorative Stamp Covers feature: commissioned artwork of a wolf and a line drawing of R.D. Lawrence Place by Canadian artist Donna Bisschop.; one stamp with a picture by Jim Wuepper of Ron Lawrence and Tundra at Wolf Hollow; Lawrence's private wildlife sanctuary in Gooderham, Haliburton County; commemorates the 1st anniversary of R.D. Lawrence Place on April 22, 2009; two other covers feature photos of RDLP by its first coordinator Sheryl Loucks.

The Commemorative Stamp Sheet features: commissioned artwork of a wolf and a line drawing of R.D. Lawrence Place by Canadian artist Donna Bisschop; signed by photographer Jim Wuepper, who took the picture of Ron Lawrence and Tundra, a wolf he rescued and wrote about. There is an enlarged photo on the commemorative sheet. The photo was taken at Wolf Hollow, the Lawrence's private wildlife sanctuary in Gooderham, located in Haliburton County, Ontario; commemorates the grand opening of R.D. Lawrence Place on April 22, 2008; number 001 of 100 commemorative sheets produced is on the stamp sheet; there are actually 21 peel and stick stamps on the sheet.

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- Anissa

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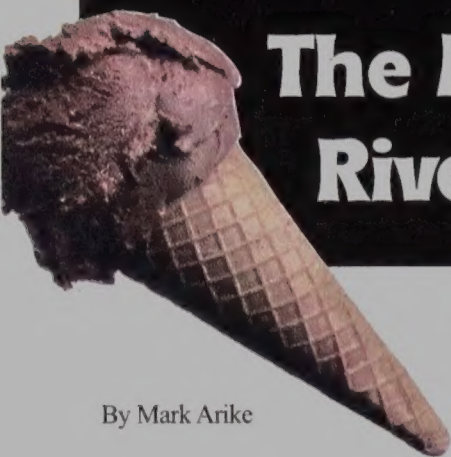
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The Minden River Cone

Spotlight on Business



A New Name, But the Fun Continues at Ice Cream Shop and Restaurant

By Mark Arike

A familiar ice cream shop on Bobcaygeon Rd. in Minden is receiving a name change.

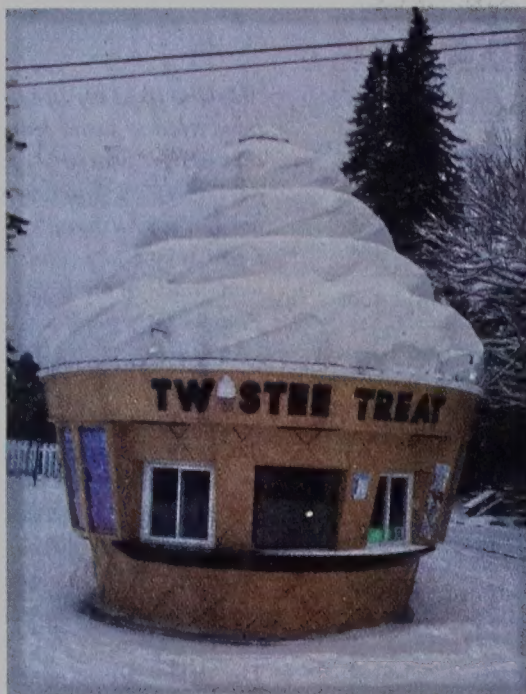
Twistee Treat, as it has been known for years, will now become the Minden River Cone. The ice cream shops' owner, Natalie Lauder, is proud to have made the change.

"It will be the Minden River Cone as of May the 15th when we open up for the season," said Lauder in a recent interview.

Lauder, an exuberant, 27-year-old go-getter, has been running the Twistee Treat business since 1997. She moved up to the area from Scarborough once she purchased the ice cream restaurant (that belonged to a franchised chain) for power of sale.

However, it was long before moving to the area that Lauder became a fan of the Highlands.

"I had a friend in Minden who I visited," explained Lauder. "I noticed that the business was up for sale and decided to jump at



the opportunity."

Lauder grew up around her family's furniture business. She then eventually opened up her own furniture store, 'Natalie's Fines', which she ran for four years. Though she didn't go to university or college, Natalie believes that the practical, hands-on training she received adequately prepared her to launch businesses of her own.

"I've always taken the unconventional route I guess," she said.

When Natalie first took over the Twistee Treat in June of 2007, she didn't realize just how challenging renovating the place would be. The condition of the building was substandard and many things needed to be replaced.

"Everything had to be changed," she explained. "It had to be re-tiled, repainted and we needed to put in new equipment."

Natalie acquired assistance from some helpers to get the place up to par; which was no easy task.

"It took about two weeks and 20 hour days. It required a complete overhaul," she said.

And with the help of some of the former staff who worked at the ice cream joint, Natalie was well on her way to running a smooth operation.

Besides the name change, Natalie has several plans in store for the upcoming summer season. She plans on adding an awning to the building and repainting it. At the back of the building she expects to open up a parking lot that will accommodate a few vehicles.

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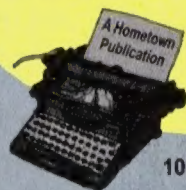
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But what may end up being more impressive than the changes to the building and its surrounding area itself will be the lively environment Natalie is arranging to bring to the location.

"We plan on having a petting zoo come out, live music, and we're working with the Crowne Gallery and other local businesses to get art along the sidewalk," she said. "I want to be able to help promote downtown businesses as well as the Riverwalk."

For the first time ever, The Cone will also have its own 9-foot tall inflatable mascot cow named 'Milkshake', which the kids will be able to tip over and be amused by. A website with an events calendar has also been launched.

With this perfect combination of excitement, live entertainment, ice-cold treats and savoury food in the mix, Natalie is trying to make The River Cone a fun destination spot.

"I don't just want this to be a stop on the way to the cottage. When people are asking one another what they are doing for the day, I'd like to hear them say, 'let's go to The Cone!'"

As for the menu at The Cone, there's a lot to choose from. If you're looking for more than just a quick snack, you can end up getting quite a filling lunch at a reasonable price.

"We have charbroiled burgers with all the toppings, fresh-cut fries and hot dogs," Natalie points out. "You can get a combo for just \$5!"



Some of the ice cream-filled goodies on The Cone's menu include: a saucer of ice cream with a flavour burst, sundaes, banana boats and milkshake floats.

There's even something available for your four-legged friends to snack on while you scoff down your savoury treat(s).

"We have puppy cones that are free of charge. It's a cone with a bit of ice cream and doggie biscuit on top," she said.

Natalie currently lives in Camarvon with her fiancé David and her children; Tobi (3), Tatum (9 months) and Tyler (8).

The River Cone is located at 119 Bobcaygeon Rd. in Minden (just over the bridge). Hours of operation are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. from Tuesday to Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

And if you happen to be looking for summer employment, Natalie is now accepting resumes for positions. To apply or to just find out more about upcoming events at the restaurant visit www.therivercone.com.

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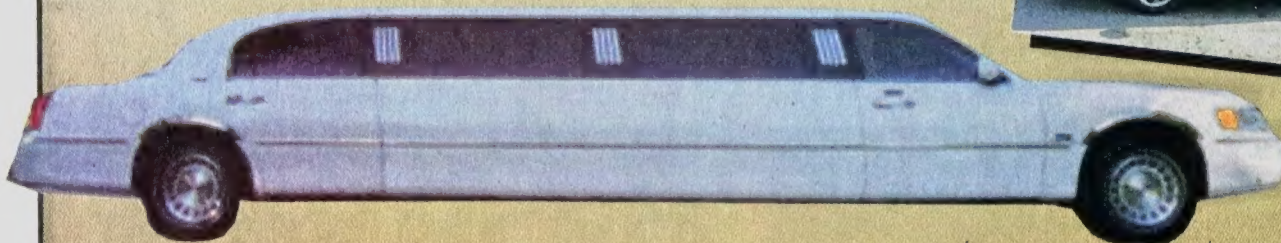
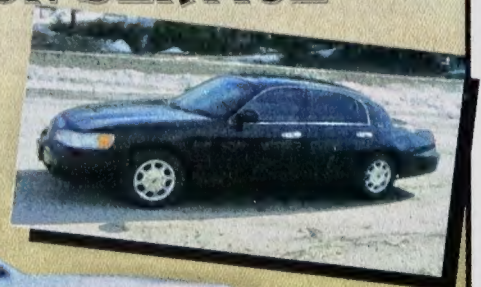
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Trust Tammy to Tidy Up

New Business

By Mark Arike

TammyLynn's Cleaning Services Goes Above and Beyond Expectations

Are you a busy person who is always on the go? Tied up with family activities that fill up your schedule? Overwhelmed by daily chores that must be performed in order to keep your household tidy? Then maybe you should consider giving Tammy a call to help get you caught up.

Tammy McKee, a long-time Eagle Lake resident, is the optimistic and affable owner of "TammyLynn's Cleaning Services". And for about the past year, she's really started to get her business going by taking on the needs of local clientele in her neighborhood.

"I can clean houses, pile wood, do gardening, rake your property and more," she said in an interview with The Highlands Communicator, "but cleaning is my main thing."

Through her business, Tammy's goal is to provide assistance to those who may be away from their home for a period of time or have a full schedule with work and other activities.

The notion of launching a cleaning business isn't something that popped up in Tammy's head overnight. Prior to settling in the Highlands permanently, she worked for a cleaning service business in Hamilton. That was when she discovered that she had really found her niche.

"After finishing attending Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, I moved to Hamilton for five years," she said, adding that she left the area to get a taste of the city life. "That was where I bumped into Sharmaine's Maid Services. I ended up working there and it was what really got me into it."

Her boss at the time, a lady by the name of Phyllis, inspired Tammy with her solid work ethic and high level of attention to detail.

"I remember when she came in to look at the job I did after my first time cleaning," explained Tammy. "She came in unexpected, with her white glove on to check the house. She asked the cleaning crew who took care of the bathroom in the home. I said that I did. Phyllis pointed out that I didn't buff up the chrome on the fixtures. She told me that once you clean make sure to always shine it!"

Tammy made sure to listen to her bosses' advice after that very first learning experience.

"Ever since then I've made sure I shine the chrome. It's one of the first things that people see," she said.

In addition to taking care of homes in Hamilton with a crew of four other cleaners, she also took on some considerably larger projects.

"We did big castles, some of which were kind of freaky," she recalled. "I remember our crew going to clean these big humongous castles. It was quite something."

Tammy soon found out that her favourite aspect of the job was seeing the reaction of a satisfied client once they walked into their home.

"When I was done cleaning the people would come in and they would

just go, 'wow, look at the house!' that was the good feeling I got and to me it lets me know I've succeeded in doing my job," said Tammy.

Tammy grew up in Niagara Falls with her family until she was 13. Her mother and stepfather, along with her two sisters, first moved to the community of Norland before eventually coming to the Highlands.

"I remember my sister and I being so scared because of how dark it was at night when we went for a walk. We were really freaked out by the difference in comparison to Niagara Falls," she laughed.

Growing up as a kid, Tammy remembers how clean and organized her mother kept the household. Looking back on things, she realizes how comfortable it made the family's living space.

"I used to like the feeling of being in a clean home after mom came back from work. Every time she would come home the house would be spotless," explained Tammy.

With her craving to clean, it shouldn't come as surprise that her own home is virtually spotless. The carpets are stain-free, shelves are dusted and every item in the home seems to have its own designated spot.

"My kids and my husband think I'm crazy because all I'm doing is cleaning," she joked. "They know that I'm a cleaning fanatic."

Tammy left Hamilton in 1993 and moved back to Haliburton County (this time it was for good). She said she decided to return because of the friendly and warm, close-knit community atmosphere. It's also where she met her husband Scott who works for G.J. Burch Construction.

"The people here are so nice," she said. "Up here everyone knows each other. They say hi to each other and they do it with a smile."

With Tammy, your home will receive a thorough cleaning job from top to bottom. A typical home will take three hours to complete and some of the basic work includes: cleaning the baseboards, dusting, vacuuming, washing the floors, mopping the walls, cleaning the wood stove(s) and piling wood.

Tammy also often takes things a step further by doing a few extras.

"I'll strip the beds, wash the bedding and make the beds. I always make sure that when I leave everything smells nice. Then when they walk in they know 'Tammy has been here'. I'll also Windex your windows, sweep away leaves on your deck, rake the yard and wash the laundry for you if you want."

With the spring season kicking into high gear, Tammy will also take care of your spring-cleaning needs. This could include cleaning out cupboards and closets.

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Dining and Entertainment

Accommodations, Food, Events, Music, The Arts



Your tastebuds will thank you if you attend the upcoming Haliburton School of the Arts Feast of Foods Fundraiser.

Come and sample world class cuisine and decadent desserts all prepared by talented area chefs.

"Since 1997, the feast has raised over \$139,000 towards student bursaries and scholarships. Our aim this year is to increase the level of support that we can make available to our students, but we need your help! Many of our students are facing financial challenges that are obstacles and impediment to their pursuit of a college education. Now more than ever, it is important for us to assist students to realize their dreams and potential. This year's feast provides you with an opportunity to make a difference," says Sandra Dupret, Dean/Principal of the Haliburton Campus of Fleming College.

This year's event will take place on Saturday, April 25th at the Delta Pinestone. The theme will be The Chefs Signature Dishes and will include the culinary talents of; Chef David Adams, Chef Christoph Carl, Chef Alex McCracken, Chef Gordon Skinner, Chef Matt Thompson and Chef Ron Tentorey. There will also be a number of unique works of art and prizes in our live, silent and loonie auctions available throughout the evening. "We are anticipating over 120 guests to this year's event!" exclaims Sandra.

Enjoy Haliburton in the Spring! Join the annual fundraiser for the Haliburton School of the Arts.

Minden Fringe Festival, a sold-out success last year, is looking for performing artists for this year's line-up at the Wintergreen Pancake Barn in July and August.

Last year's festival included debut performances of original short plays, live music, dance/physical theatre, storytelling, and improvisation theatre in a festival that is a partnership between Wintergreen and Playwrights Minden.

Minden Fringe 2009 will be held the Saturday evenings of July 11, July 18, Aug. 1, and Aug. 8. Each night consists of dinner followed by two different performances for a total of eight performance spots.

Playwrights Minden is looking for performances that are 60 minutes or less. This is a fantastic opportunity for local artists who are paid a percentage of the box office for their performance.

Email your submission or request for further guidelines to mindenfringe@gmail.com. There is a \$20 non-refundable application fee for adults (\$10 for students). Final decisions will be announced mid-April. Please send a hard copy of submissions to Minden Fringe, PO Box 1436, Haliburton ON, K0M 1S0.

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Highlands Summer Festival "10" Tenth Anniversary Gala

**Saturday April 18, 2009 - Complimentary dessert
reception at 7 p.m. Performance 8 p.m.**

Highlands Summer Festival "10" will be an entertaining trip down memory lane as the Highlands Summer Festival celebrates its 10th anniversary. "10" features musical and dramatic highlights from past seasons, photo montages, a silent auction and a musical number from the 2009 production of "Annie" starring Michelle Bailey and fellow orphans. Tickets for "10" are available from the Highlands Summer Festival Box Office, by calling 705-457-9933. The price is \$25 for a memorable evening of entertainment.....after all, some days you just feel like a "10".

And whether you're a local resident in the county or are a cottager in the Highlands, Tammy would like to help serve you. Not only will she do a thorough job, but you can also feel comfortable in letting her into your residence.

"I am a good person and I'm trustworthy," she said. "Knowing that a customer is happy and trusts me is the most important thing."

In the future, Tammy hopes to expand the business and bring more staff on board. She's also considering doing clean-up jobs on construction sites.

"I'd like to be like Phyllis one day with my cleaning crews going strong," she said.

To find out how Tammy can help you contact her by phone at 705 754-4934.



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by Lynne Kilby

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This story begins,
With the settlement of
Kinmount,
A place on the fringe...

Many boundaries met
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Back in 1859,
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with time.

To land of sparkling waters,
And fragrant forests so thick,
Pioneers traversed new roads
Their land soon to pick.

Aye, Kinmount, Scotland
From where came its name,
Home of "Kinmount Willie"
Of notorious border fame.

Pioneer's sturdy will
Formed a lasting foundation,
'Twould see Kinmount
sustained
In succeeding generations.

'Twas the Post Office
opening,
Brought Kinmount identity.
For it symbolized growth,
A sure sign of amenity.

Came a colony of Icelanders,
But for a while,
Plagued by hardship they fled
From life led Kinmount style.

Enter Boom Time's arrival
Via iron horse - the railway,
Hence, Kinmount the hub,
Thought prosperity to stay.

Commenced Kinmount Fair,
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Like precious jewels
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While pioneer women toiled
From morning till night
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Merchants and mines,
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But then fate took its toll
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With the fire of 1890
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Rebuilt, Kinmount suffered
"The Great Flood" as it's
known.
Tough residents recovered
For Kinmount was home.

Then struck The Great
Depression
And Great Fire of '42
Kinmount's face changed
forever
But its folks carried through.

Surviving these disasters
Reigns the town railway station.
Spared from oblivion
With no complication.

In the Great World Wars
Some Kinmount lads were lost.
Stands the Cenotaph in town
To remind us of the cost.

More changes took place.
Gone mills, mines, train and
school.
Again, Kinmount survived
According to rule.

Today's Kinmount boasts spirit.
'Tis quite easily found.
Though a small population
Enthusiasm abounds.

Hail service clubs and churches,
Businesses and volunteers
For unflagging passion
To Kinmount - three cheers!

Museums, theatres, park,
Health Centre, arena too.
Good people of Kinmount
Made these things come true.

Artisans and farmers markets
Take us back to our roots.
'Twas townsfolk that planted
The seeds of these fruits.

Still forges a blacksmith
In the heart of town.
Plans to restore the sawmill.
'Twould bring further renown.

A parade of events
Held throughout every year.
Demonstrated devotion
For Kinmount lives here.

Dare ye capture this fever?
Become part of rich history?
Celebration Time's here!
Kinmount's Anniversary.

Honour memories and
milestones.
Embrace both old and new.
Let the party begin!
Time for Kinmount's review.

On the banks of Burnt River,
This tale yet unfolds...
Happy Birthday dear Kinmount,
150 years old!

Please call me at (705) 488-2919 or e-mail me at lynne.kilby@sympatico.ca to share news or advertise an event or activity. See you in Kinmount!!!

It's Happening in Kinmount!

by Lynne Kilby

Along with welcomed guests, throngs of Kinmount folk proved their heartiness by withstanding the downpour during Kinmount's Official 150th Anniversary Ceremony on April 1. Festivities included refreshments, cake, music, decorations, ribbons, flags and balloons as well as the distribution of the first Kinmount Gazette!

Master of ceremonies Guy Scott introduced dignitaries from Canada Post, municipal councillors and mayor of COKL, Ric McGee. Dressed in period attire, grade 3 students from Ridgewood Public School who have been studying pioneers, delighted the crowd with readings of school days during pioneer times. Kinmount Sparks, Brownies, Girl Guides and Pathfinders lead the crowd in singing "Happy Birthday" while displaying a banner they made for the occasion. Some of the girls read stories they wrote entitled "What I Like About Kinmount." As well, I read a poem I was inspired to write after attending the first meeting of the Kinmount Anniversary Committee. Entitled "The Ballad of Kinmount," the poem is a condensed version of Kinmount history as recorded in Guy Scott's book "The History of Kinmount." If you would like to read the poem, you may view it by clicking on the Gazette tab at Kinmount.ca.

Upcoming Events:

April 15 - Visit a book lover's paradise at the Friends of the Library Book Sale, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., lower level of Kinmount Public Library.

April 25 - Kinmount Committee for Planning & Economic Development hosts their Annual Dinner Auction at Galway Hall. For tickets or info call 488-2687.

May 2 - Kinmount Annual Pitch-In Day: Come show Kinmount pride during its 150th anniversary year by giving the town a spring facelift! The community is invited to meet at Kinmount Railway Station at 9:00 a.m., choose a route, get supplies, and help give Kinmount a spring makeover! Refreshments served on completion

Some Great Business Seminars Planned For April & May

There are some great workshops coming your way for business owners, managers and anyone interested in the topics listed below. They are all sponsored by the Haliburton County Development Corp. and they are all being held at the Haliburton Curling Club – Lower Level.

For more information or to register Contact: Patti Tallman - Phone: 705-457-3555; Email: info@haliburtoncdc.ca; Website: www.haliburtoncdc.ca



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- Carey McMaster ~ Fee \$20.00

The most important relationship your company has is the one between your customers and staff. Anything you can do to strengthen that relationship will benefit your business.

Date: Thursday, April 30, 2009; Time: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM;

MANAGING YOUR STAFF AND/OR VOLUNTEERS

- Fay Martin ~ Fee \$20.00

This workshop will focus on clear communication as the basis of good work relationships. It will look at job descriptions, job interviews, job performance evaluations and feedback as a way of identifying and correcting employment problems.

Date: Thursday, May 07, 2009; Time: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

MANAGING STRESS IN THE WORKPLACE

- Dr. Jack Russel ~ Fee \$20.00

Managing personal stress will improve workplace performance. This workshop will focus on learning how to manage stress and develop strategies to overcome it.

Date: Monday, May 11, 2009; Time: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

OVERCOMING PROCRASTINATION

- Dr. Jack Russel ~ Fee \$20.00

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Calling all kids, parents, grandparents and teachers.Come and celebrate Earth Day at Sir Sandford Fleming College on Saturday April 25, 2009 from 9:30 – 1:00. This festival of storey telling, games, arts, music and education is for the whole family. This festival is about living, playing and working in community with our planet. Special guest, Jennifer Morgan (an international storyteller, author, parent, teacher and corporate consultant) will tell her dramatic story the universe and our relationship to it. There will be interactive workshops in puppetry, gardening, environment games and earth centred parenting. The Rails Ends Gallery will host and “Art Attack” featuring contributions from the dump. Bazza (Barry Hawywood) will lend drumming to start and end the day. Cathy’s Kitchen will be open to buy snacks and coffee for your family. Exhibitors will be on hand to promote environmental products and services that can benefit your family. Earth Day is the largest, most celebrated environmental event worldwide. More than 6 million Canadians join 500 million people in over 180 countries to focus on local environmental issues. Our goal for the day is help promote healthy family, active communities and a healthy environment for all to live in. For more information check out; www.gaiacentre.org or call Lynda Shadbolt at 705-457-3121.

Schedule for the Earth Day Family Festival

- 9:30 -10:00 Arrive
- 10:00 – Opening Ceremonies and storyteller Jennifer Morgan
- 10:30 – 10:45 – Exhibitors and Art Attack
- 10:45 – 11:30 – Workshops (Family Gardening, Puppetry)
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- 11:45 – 12:30 – Workshops (Eco Games, Earth Centred Parenting)
- 12:30 – 1:00 – Closing Ceremonies

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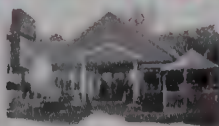
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April 19 (Sunday) Rail Trail Rambles Time: 2:00
Location: Rail Trail at Milburn Road
This week we will walk and enjoy a lovely stretch of the Rail Trail where it meets Milburn Road. For more details, see Rail Trail Rambles above. Phone: 457-9324

April 26 (Sunday) Rail Trail Rambles Time: 2:00
Location: Rail Trail at Howland Junction
Join us as we explore the Rail Trail at Howland Junction and view the historic trestle bridge. Pick up a schedule and map of the Rail Trail Rambles at various locations around the County. See you on the Trail! Phone: 457-9324

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Hector McDonnell, an artist, who grew up at Glenarm Castle in County Antrim, believes that a haunting can bestow an attractive air of mystery on any country seat. "Ghosts lend social Zlat to a place," he says, "because they tend to live in grand houses which have the most history. I think a family ghost adds to the value of a house."

Mr McDonnell's childhood experiences have left him with no doubts about the existence of the paranormal. There was so much spiritual activity in Glenarm Castle, he says, that his mother had every room exorcised except for the attic - to which all the ghosts immediately fled.

"There used to be a terrible stamping up there, and one night, the noise was so loud that my sister's maid, Lola, ordered me to investigate. I was about 12 and

much more frightened of her than I was of the ghost, so I switched on the light at the bottom of the attic stairs and went up.

"Suddenly the attic light behind me turned itself off, and I realised that whatever it was had got behind me. I don't know how I got down the stairs, but I never went up there again. The noises carried on for the next 15 years, but as I was the only person sleeping in that part of the house, nobody else was too bothered by it. Someone did find a skeleton buried outside the house, so there may well have been people murdered there."

The rectory where Mr McDonnell now lives, just down the road from the castle, also has its rather less grand ghost: a half-formed figure which can sometimes be spotted in the dining room.



Go Green Tip: When cooking, use the size pot that fits the burner, or the burner that is the best size for the pot. A 6-inch pot on an 8-inch burner wastes more than 40 percent of the burner's heat, according to the EPA.

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What's Missing from this Equation? *A Different Airport Perspective*

By Liz Danielsen

Over the last few months controversy has literally been buzzing the Stanhope Airport. The philosophy that it should be expanded for reasons of safety and economic development opportunities continues to elude many and, as someone who has followed the issue, I find myself thinking that there are missing links from the equation; for starters, the aviators themselves. Where have they been during all the puff and hyperbole? And, if you remove doubts about spending money on its expansion, what do residents in the area think about the airport in general?

We've heard the Algonquin Highlands Council talk about safety as being their primary rationale for construction of a new runway. Winds have been touted by Reeve Eleanor Harrison as creating precarious conditions for landing, making the need for a new runway paramount. A new 'crosswind' runway has been identified by most of the Council as the solution, but their own consultants have muddled those waters by admitting that the new runway would not actually be crosswind and have even stated that the prevailing winds have changed in the area; something of an unusual phenomenon for any airport.

Council has also spoken of their hopes for economic development as a result of the airport expansion but there is still no concrete business plan to lay the foundation for any realistic expectations of commercial or industrial development in the area unless one considers the two developers who have spoken about their expectations when, not if, the airport expands. Despite Harrison insisting that the first time that Council had heard of an air park development was during one of their sessions last fall, the gentleman who proposed the air park suggested that his plans hinged on their previous promise of airport expansion. But that's a discussion for another day.

While there is no doubt about public opinion regarding the cost of any airport expansion, very few residents in the area have publicly shared their thoughts about the airport as it stands today. Do they like the airport, or simply tolerate it as something that is there? Do they identify with the activities associated with the airport, or does it simply represent a noise to be tolerated?

Some of our readers may know that, while I originally hail from rural eastern Ontario, I hung my hat for many years in a remote community in the Northwest Territories; a small oil town where everyone's life was impacted on a daily basis by aircraft and air traffic. It was a community with no roads in or out with the exception of two months of ice roads during the winter.

For good or bad, an airstrip or airport can become the core and absolute heart of a community and I've learned that first hand. For over 20 years I lived within a few hundred metres of a grass strip and float base and for four of those years I worked as a Transport Canada Airport Clerk, perched on the edge of a runway that accommodated daily 737 jet service, corporate and government traffic and the constant flow of a variety of small rotary and fixed wing aircraft.

At one end of town I learned to identify an incredible number of

airplanes. Each time I saw a plane I didn't recognize, I'd dig out my Jane's World Aircraft Recognition Handbook to pin it down. I knew and listened when friends were taking off on holidays or business trips, returning from a trip south or if helicopters were flying work crews across the Mackenzie River when ice crossings were unstable.

At the other end of town I listened to the unique sound of float plane engines or small bush planes and always knew when outfitters were flying their hunters out to the mountains in search of Dall sheep and caribou or if someone was flying off on a fishing adventure.

The outdoor experiences offered to people living in or visiting the NWT are unparalleled. In Norman Wells those experiences are almost always tied to aircraft. To view the majesty of hundreds of miles of uninhabited mountains or see pristine waterfalls and gorges through the windshield of a tiny single engine aircraft is beyond compare. To fly at breakneck speed down a cutline below tree level in a Coast Guard helicopter can leave you breathless, hanging on for dear life but euphoric.

To pack your gear, a skidoo, two dogs and enough grub for two weeks into a Twin Otter and be flown with your best friend into a remote lake in the early spring for a little getaway is an outdoor experience hard to equal.

To fill the float of a Beaver full of trout from one of the largest fresh water lakes in the world is a fisherman's dream. These are the things I think about when I listen to small aircraft and to this day, whenever I hear something overhead, I always look, somehow still expecting that it will be something (or someone) that I will recognize.

There is a connection to the pilots that is unique; those truly brave and adventurous friends who fly in conditions that might raise the hair on the back of your neck from time to time but is truly unparalleled. The bush pilots, the pilots flying fire fighting and medivac aircraft, men like Wop May and now Chesley B. Sullenberg are all a breed unto themselves.

There is also the connection that living close to an airport can bring to people living hundreds of miles from urban centres. Hearing an airplane fly over connects you to the rest of the world in many ways that those living in a city would never understand. For just a moment it's a symbol of freedom and you don't feel quite so removed, so isolated.

While these are obviously not exact parallels, the people of Stanhope have lived with the airport in their midst for many years and have heard countless aircraft come and go. They must identify with the planes and the people flying them on many levels, but little has been heard in that regard during the hue and cry about expanding the airport.

Where have the pilots been, whose planes sit in the hangers, or who fly in and out of the airport time and time again? Why haven't they spoken out about safety, or their desire for another runway, more hangars and opportunities to expand the world of aviation and commerce in Stanhope?



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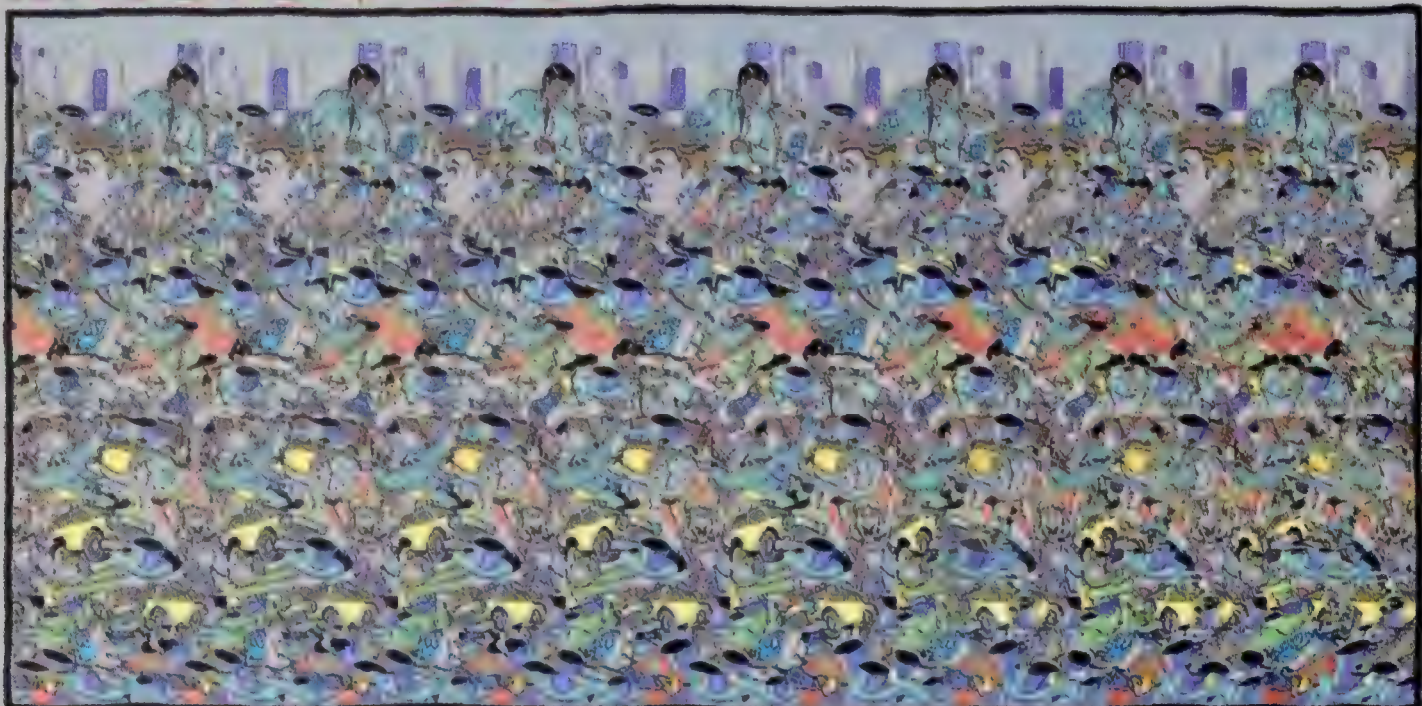
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For more information please call The Art Hive 754-0021 or e-mail: theearthive@live.ca



An Evening of Wine, Words, Music & Art

Friday April 24, 2009, 6:30pm

This popular event features local authors and storytellers reading, musicians performing, and artists displaying their work. What a wonderful celebration of the arts and local talent. You will be amazed at the level of creative and artistic aptitude displayed by those living among us! Refreshments will be served.

Tickets are available at the Dorset Recreation for \$6 each or 2 for \$10. This event is open to adults ages 19 and over. If you are interested in applying to display your art, please contact the Recreation Centre at drc@algonquinhighlands.ca or 705-766-9968. Our roster of musicians and writers is full.

At the Minden Hills Museum:

Minden Hills Museum presents: Historical Reflections - Postal Codes

Tuesday April 21, 2009, 2-4pm

Bob Gilligan, a local man, will explain the thought and process behind how postal codes came to be. In the Minden Hills Cultural Centre Common Room from 2-4pm. Contact the Museum: 286-3154, museum@mindenhills.ca

Minden Hills Museum's Stamp Launch

Wednesday April 1, 2009, 1:00pm

Organizers unveil a pioneer post office and launch the Museum stamp on the 150th anniversary of the opening of Minden's first post office in 1859. The second in a series of three commemorative stamps issued by the Cultural Centre is legal tender, honoured at any post office. Souvenirs available. Starting at 1:00pm. Contact the Minden Hills Museum, 286-3154, museum@mindenhills.ca

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Mixing a little business with pleasure, police in Bismarck, North Dakota, arrested a suspect for stealing stuff from their annual auction.

The sale, held May 10 at the police impound lot, attracted hundreds of people. One of those people, an unidentified 40-year-old man, was caught stealing a screwdriver set from the inside of one of the vehicles that was for sale. When he was searched, officers also found a gold-colored bracelet in his pocket which — you guessed it — he had taken from the sale.

Police say that the man confessed to the crime. He was to be charged May 12 with theft of property.

Arts Council ~ Haliburton Highlands presents ... "You've Gotta Have Art" 3rd Annual Art Honours Gala

Spring is in the air, and the Celebrations Committee of the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands is gearing up for the 3rd Annual Arts Honours Gala on May 2nd.

The "You've Gotta Have Art" Arts Honours Gala was created by the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands to recognize and honour individuals and groups who help to make this such a creative community. Join us on May 2nd, 2009 as we celebrate the arts. In addition to the awards presentations we will feature performances by local artists, a live band, cash bar, and hors d'oeuvres catered by Rhubarb. New for this year: a silent auction with a 'Spring Twist'. Dress is casually elegant. Tickets are \$30.

To all Arts Council Members: Watch your mail for your invitation to this stellar event. The event sold out the past two years well in advance, so don't delay in getting your tickets.

Not an Arts Council Member? Call Lisa or Terry at 705-457-3555 to order tickets.



At The Rails End Gallery....

Tongues Untied

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Portfolio Class Exhibition

March 28 to April 25, 2009

In 2009 this project is supported by a grant from the Ontario Arts Council Arts Education Program. Local artist, Jennifer Wanless Craig, spent part of this term working with the students on concept development and artistic creation. The result is a multi-faceted exhibition that explores the inner world of some of Haliburton County's young artists.

Newfangers Art Festival Preview

April 17 to May 9, 2009

This exhibition is a sample of what you can see at this year's Newfangers Art Festival. Newfangers is a show and sale for the emerging generation of artists. The main intention of the festival is to highlight the outrageous talent of emerging youth artists. Its aim is to give them some exposure and provide a venue to test the waters in their budding arts careers. Their work is often bold and edgy and a great example of what's to come in the arts.

At the R.D. Lawrence Place

R.D. Lawrence Place: The Green Legacy

Wednesday April 8, 2009 to Saturday May 30, 2009

Be prepared to be inspired by exhibits featuring R.D. Lawrence's environmental crusade for conservation and protection of wild animals, as well as a new multi-media presentation about sustainable straw-bale building. Contact Sheryl Loucks 705-286-2298 or rdlawrenceplace@mindenhills.ca

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As their first undertaking, Adventure Haliburton has produced a coupon book full of bargains. The Adventure Haliburton Extra Value Book offers discounts for a wide range of awesome adventures including cross country and downhill mountain biking, cycling, flatwater and whitewater kayaking, canoeing, hiking, paintball, horseback riding, towed water sports, and learning adventures in art, culture, and nature. This coupon book, worth over \$400, can be purchased for \$5.00 from any of the Adventure Haliburton partners, the tourist information centres, and a variety of other venues and events throughout the County. These coupon books make great gifts and are also incentives for cottagers and local residents to discover the many wonderful experiences available so close to home.

"I am really excited that these dynamic businesses have come together to offer this exciting and fun product", said Craig Bowker of Ski-Mazing Watersports School who initiated the formation of the partnership. "We see great value in joining forces to promote the Highlands as the destination of choice for adventure activities; it sure beats competing with one another. It is a win-win situation for all tourism stakeholders, and the economy of the County".

Adventure Haliburton is already looking ahead to find new ways to collaborate and promote the Haliburton experience to new markets. For more information contact Craig Bowker at (705) HLP - USKI or craig@skiwakefootschool.com

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Cycling Coalition "Spin-Dig" - Thursday, April 30, 7:00pm
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Kick off the cycling season with some fun, film and festivities at McKeck's. Bring your cycling and soon-to-be-cycling family and friends for a great social evening that includes door prizes, loonie/toonie auction, and a variety of cycling "shorts" (films, that is!).

Greasy Spin - Sunday, May 3,
Meet at Haliburton Arena parking lot, 9 am (long), 10 am (short)
Register with the Health Unit, 457-1391
Start the cycling season with a guided bike ride, followed by breakfast at the Haliburton Legion. There will be two route options, longer (~2 hrs) and shorter (~1 hr). The routes will be on main and secondary county roads. Cost for breakfast is \$4.

Intro to Bike Maintenance - Tues. May 12, 7:00 - 8:30 pm,
Sir Sandford Fleming College Rm 8
Register with the Health Unit 457-1391
Demonstrations (do not bring your bike) will be on following topics: fixing a flat tire, simple brake and gear adjustments, safety checks, chain cleaning and lubrication, proper fit, essential tools to have on your rides.

Get Back on Your Bike - Minden, Wed. May 13, 7 - 8:30 pm
Minden Community Centre Parking Lot
Register with the Health Unit, 457-1391
This workshop is for those folks who want to learn or refresh their cycling skills. You will review all the basics (getting started, choosing necessary equipment, gear selection, tips and etiquette for riding on the road, helmet and bicycle fitting), and will conclude with a ride around town. (max. 10)

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Scientifically Speaking

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Why Does A Rabbit Wiggle Its Nose?

By wiggling its nose a rabbit can test air from many directions at once. This gives the rabbit a better chance of sniffing out any hidden enemies. But nose wiggling's not as easy as it looks. In fact, a rabbit is one of the few animals that has enough control over the nerves and muscles in its nose to be able to twitch the tip of it. Even though pet rabbits don't have to worry about enemies nearly as much as wild rabbits do, they still wiggle their noses; perhaps it lets them know when their owner is bringing them a treat.



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With today's lower interest rates should you switch your mortgage?

with Susan Lee

Looking at the current fixed mortgage rates and wondering if you should refinance your existing mortgage and get into a lower rate mortgage?

Mortgages as with any part of a financial plan are very individualized to what is best for you. The one thing that has to be considered is the cost to make the change. The legal cost of moving the mortgage to a different lender is picked up by this lender if it's only for a rate change. The big cost in making this move is the pre-payment penalty. The pre-payment penalty is called the interest rate differential (IDR) and, when rates drop as much as they have in the last few months this dollar figure is often in the thousands. You are better off making a lump payment on your existing mortgage for the amount of the penalty and leave the mortgage where it is. You will save the same amount of interest on your mortgage by making that lump sum payment than if you were to move it to a lower interest rate mortgage and paying the penalty. I am not going to go into a number frenzy in this article proving what I have said, but in most cases it is true.

A couple of reasons one might move the mortgage is to lock in at the lower rate based on the concern that rates will soon be going up. A second reason is the lower interest rate will produce a lower monthly mtg payment which will improve the individual's cash flow.

A benefit of refinancing with a mortgage broker over a bank is that you will get an additional discount on the interest rate providing even more interest savings when you make the switch.

	Bank Rates	Mortgagebroker.com Rates
6 Month	5.20%	4.45%
1 Year	5.00%	3.25%
2 Year	5.00%	3.80%
3 Year	5.15%	3.99%
4 Year	5.45%	3.79%
5 Year	5.55%	4.05%
VARIABLE RATE		3.30%
* Rates may vary provincially and are subject to change without notice (OAC)		PRIME 2.50%
Rates as at APRIL 6, 2009		

On top of that I, as a mortgage broker, can offer additional lender incentives such as cash back (for example 1.6% of the mortgage amount) that you can use to reduce the prepayment penalty that your existing mortgage provider is charging. On a \$200,000.00 mortgage this would provide \$2300.00 back to you when the mortgage is moved.

Another option is if you do not have the funds to pay the penalty, which is often the case when they are so high like now, the penalty can be added to the amount of your mortgage as long as the mortgage is a conventional mortgage.

For some, refinancing into a lower rate product is a good idea. Not sure what to do? Call me at the office and I would be happy to discuss your mortgage with you.

Looking at buying a home and having trouble coming up with the down payment? Watch for my next article as there are some options out there for you, or call me at the office if you can't wait.

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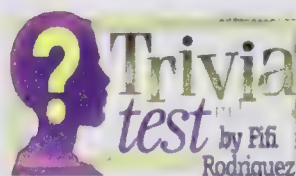


In England during the fourteenth century, it was against the law for a man who earned fewer than twenty dollars a year to wear a silk nightcap to bed!



In Sadieville, Kentucky, property owners are banned by law from mowing their lawns- but fishing in the nude is legal!

A court in Germany made it illegal to name any hot dog product a "frankfurter" unless it was made in the region around Frankfurt, Germany!



1. U.S. STATES: What time zone is the state of Oklahoma in?
2. LANGUAGE: What day of the week was named after the Roman god Jupiter?
3. SCIENCE: What does the symbol "c" stand for in physics?
4. LITERATURE: In which Shakespearean play does the character named Bianca appear?
5. TELEVISION: Which TV drama was introduced weekly with a voiceover that described the main character as "falsely convicted for the murder of his wife."
6. THEATER: Who wrote the play "Seascape"?
7. GAMES: What is the length of a standard tennis court?
8. HISTORY: In what year did Yuri Gagarin become the first human to orbit the Earth?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What does the Fujita Scale measure?
10. ETIQUETTE: When is it appropriate to fly the U.S. flag upside down?

- Answers
1. Central
 2. Thursday (Dies Jovis or Jupiter)
 3. Speed of light
 4. Bianca is the younger sister of Katherine in "The Taming of the Shrew."
 5. "The Fugitive"
 6. Edward Albee
 7. 78 feet
 8. 1961
 9. Tornado intensity

Bad Predictions

I can assure you that data processing is a fad that won't last out the year.

The editor in charge of business books for Prentice Hall, 1957.



Lange on the Law

Donald Lange

by Donald J. Lange
Barrister & Solicitor

Collecting on a Money Judgment

A successful lawsuit for money owed leads to a judgment but it does not, inevitably, lead to payment of the judgment. If the defendant does not voluntarily pay the judgment, the plaintiff must commence enforcement proceedings against the defendant. This is like a separate lawsuit after judgment that the plaintiff must get involved in and it is sometimes a difficult and frustrating process for the plaintiff.

If the judgment is in the Small Claims Court, one of the ways the plaintiff may start the enforcement proceedings is by requesting that the Clerk of the Court issue a Notice of Examination. The plaintiff may simply mail this Notice to the defendant. The examination is commonly called a judgment-debtor examination. Because there is now a judgment against the defendant, the defendant is called the debtor and the plaintiff is called the creditor. Once the debtor receives the Notice of Examination, he is required, by law, to complete a Financial Information Form and send it to the creditor. This form has sections on monthly income and monthly expenses to be completed by the debtor, as well as the requirement that the debtor list ongoing debts, such as credit cards, and list and value assets owned by the debtor. At the judgment-debtor examination, the creditor has a wide range of enquiry. Areas identified in the court rules include the reason for non-payment, debts owed to the debtor, and whether the debtor has disposed of any property either before or after the judgment was made.

Sometimes, the debtor will not show up for the examination. The only remedy that the creditor has at this point is to obtain a court order requiring the debtor to attend an examination. This time the creditor must arrange to have the debtor personally delivered the court order and a new Notice of Examination. If the debtor does not show up at the second examination, the creditor may then ask the court for a contempt hearing because the debtor has refused to comply with the court order. The Clerk of the Small Claims Court will provide the creditor with a Notice of Contempt Hearing and the creditor must again have the debtor personally delivered the Notice. The contempt hearing is heard before a judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, not in the Small Claims Court.

The Superior Court has a similar collection process for judgments in that court. If the debtor is now living in another province, that province will have legislation to enforce the Ontario judgment in that province. The Ontario judgment will have to be registered in the superior court of the other province before the creditor may start enforcement proceedings in that province.

In the next column, I will be talking about a garden in Haliburton.

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We are anticipating the renewal of the Eastern Ontario Development Program, therefore, The Haliburton County Development Corporation is accepting applications from businesses, sole proprietors and organizations for activities that will support local economic development.

Need Assistance with a Community Economic Development Project?

Funding is available through the Local Initiative Program to support not-for-profit organizations engaged in community economic development projects.

Application deadline
May 8th, 2009

Interested in Hiring a Youth Intern?

Funding is available through the Youth Internship Program to assist local businesses and not-for-profit organizations in providing recent college or university graduates (up to the age of 30) with work experience.

Application deadline
April 24th, 2009

Looking for Skills Development and Training?

Funding is available through the Skills Development Fund to assist local businesses, sole proprietors, business associations and social enterprises with skills development and training for employees and owners.

Application deadline
May 22nd, 2009

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Working on a Business or Marketing Plan?

Funding is available through the Business Planning Initiative to assist existing or potential local businesses, sole proprietors and social enterprises with the development of business, marketing and export plans.

Continuous intake

Thinking About Developing a Vacant or Under-used Industrial or Commercial Property?

Interest free loans (with terms of up to 10 years) are available through the Access to Capital Program for businesses or social enterprises to encourage development.

Continuous intake

Hike For Hospice Palliative Care - MAY 2

Why not get active by exploring one of our local trails & at the same time raise money for SIRCH Community Hospice!!

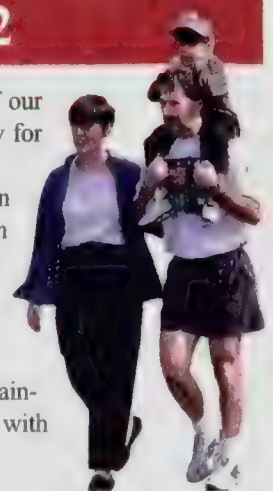
Collect pledges & join us at Haliburton High School for a 5km hike on Haliburton Head Lake Trail or a 1km hike around the track.

Registration is at 10 am in the cafeteria and the hike starts at 10:45 am

Post activities include BBQ, draws, entertainment and awards for individual and team with most pledges collected.

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What is Hospice?



Hike & Hospice

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– threatening illness and their loved ones, hospice is focused on life not death. Hospice emphasizes quality rather than quantity of life. Trained, committed volunteers offer meaningful support to individuals, as well as respite to their caregivers.

SIRCH Community Hospice provides: One on One hospice Volunteer Support, One on One Staff Bereavement Support, Bereavement Support group (4th Thursday of each month) for individuals caring for someone with Alzheimer or related dementia, Cancer Support Group (3rd Tuesday of each month), Lending Library for information, books and videos.



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Wednesday, April 22 - 1:00 p.m.

For more information call Brenda 447-2148

TIME TO TALK

- Information Session To Help Parents and Caregivers Support Teenagers in Making Safe Choices -

(CARDIFF) – Talk is not cheap when it comes to helping teenagers understand the risks associated with sex, drugs and alcohol.

Helping youth make healthy and safe choices on these difficult issues is the focus of an information night for parents, grandparents and caregivers in Haliburton County. 'Time to Talk' is the name of the event being presented by the Cardiff and Wilberforce Safe and Caring School Teams:

WHAT: TIME TO TALK

WHEN: Wednesday, April 15, from 6:30 pm to 8 pm

WHERE: Cardiff Elementary School (gym portable), 2 Short Road, Cardiff

WHY: The event is to help parents and other caregivers open the lines of communication with their teenagers about alcohol, drugs and healthy sexuality. Presenters at the event will include the principal from the Cardiff and Wilberforce elementary schools and representatives from the Haliburton Highlands Community Action Group on Alcohol and Drugs, Bancroft OPP, FourCAST Addiction Services, Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team, and the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

A question-and-answer session for parents and caregivers will follow the presentations.

"If you have trouble talking to your son or daughter about sex, drugs and alcohol, this presentation is for you," says Karen Pettinella, one of the speakers at the Time to Talk event, and a Public Health Nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit.

These topics can be "unsettling" for an adult to discuss with teenagers, Pettinella notes. "The reality is that these are issues teenagers face everyday, so an adult's word of advice and support can help youth make informed decisions and know the potential consequences of their actions," she adds

For more information about Time to Talk, call the Health Unit at (705) 457-1391, or contact Cardiff Elementary School at (613) 339-2351.



Stress Busters

Quick Tips To Lower That Stress Level

Travelling with Children Made Easy

If you have children, keep an emergency suitcase filled with "kid items" in the trunk of your car. Stock it with things you may need from time to time: books, games, extra clothes, wipes, non-perishable snack food (replace periodically), rain gear, first-aid supplies, toilet paper, etc. You may even want to keep a stocked backpack for each child, and enlist each child's help in deciding what to keep in it. Just be sure to leave these in the car, so they'll always be there if needed.

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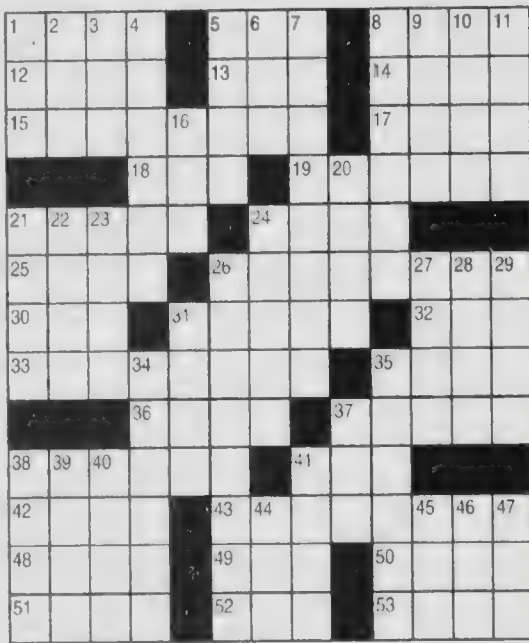
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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Junk in the in-box
- 5 Stir-fry pan
- 8 Greet the villain
- 12 Operatic showstopper
- 13 Rage
- 14 Reverberate
- 15 "Yellow" band
- 17 Horse of a different color?
- 18 Scoundrel
- 19 Cognac, e.g.
- 21 Lieu
- 24 Brat's stocking stuffer
- 25 "— Fiction"
- 26 Make like a caught possum



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| 30 Recede | 50 Squared away | 7 PC requirement | 28 Top-notch |
| 31 10 million rupees | 51 War god | 8 Boston news-paper | 29 Active person |
| 32 Sticky stuff | 52 Urban scurrier | 9 Pic to click | 31 "Big Brother" host Julie |
| 33 Jerry Garcia fan | 53 Information | 10 Roe provider | 34 Resides |
| 35 Lion's pride? | | 11 PlayStation maker | 35 Chopped finely |
| 36 Feeble | | 16 Cushion | 37 Cape — |
| 37 Autumnal quaff | | 20 Bygone comic Martha | 38 Greek cheese |
| 38 Dramatist Molnar | | 21 Raced | 39 Always |
| 41 Swindle | | 22 Toothpaste holder | 40 Anger |
| 42 Satan's field | | 23 Exile isle | 41 Wagon |
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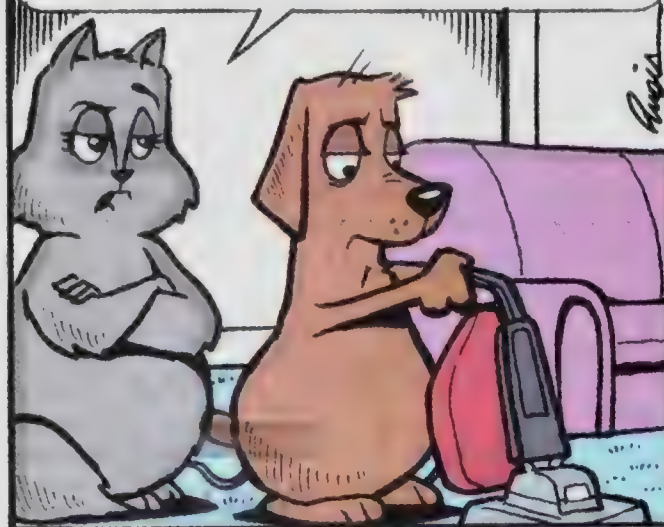
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- 5 Untamed
- 6 Feast-famine link

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

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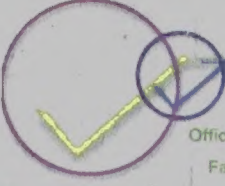
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That's Life

A Comical Look at Life's Situations

Abraham Lincoln was elected to Congress in 1846.
John F. Kennedy was elected to Congress in 1946.

Abraham Lincoln was elected President in 1860.
John F. Kennedy was elected President in 1960.

Both were particularly concerned with civil rights.
Both wives lost their children while living in the White House.

Both Presidents were shot on a Friday.
Both Presidents were shot in the head

Now it gets really weird.

Lincoln's secretary was named Kennedy.
Kennedy's Secretary was named Lincoln.

Both were assassinated by Southerners.
Both were succeeded by Southerners named Johnson.

Andrew Johnson, who succeeded Lincoln, was born in 1808.
Lyndon Johnson, who succeeded Kennedy, was born in 1908.
John Wilkes Booth, who assassinated Lincoln, was born in 1839.
Lee Harvey Oswald, who assassinated Kennedy, was born in 1939.

Both assassins were known by their three names.
Both names are composed of fifteen letters.

Now hang on to your seat.

Lincoln was shot at the theater named 'Ford'.
Kennedy was shot in a car called 'Lincoln' made by 'Ford'.

Lincoln was shot in a theater and his assassin ran and hid in a warehouse.

Kennedy was shot from a warehouse and his assassin ran and hid in a theater.

Booth and Oswald were assassinated before their trials.

And here's the kicker...

A week before Lincoln was shot, he was in Monroe, Maryland.
A week before Kennedy was shot, he was with Marilyn Monroe.
WHO FIGURED THIS OUT?

The answer to the world's hardest maze printed in last issue will be printed in the next Communicator.... we hear you need more time to solve that one!!

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY
HENRY BOLTHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Stripes on coat are black. 2. Hose is longer. 3. Coat buckles are missing. 4. Fireman on left has badge. 5. Sign has been raised. 6. There are more flames.

— King Crossword —

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

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Strange But True

It was author Michael Pollan who made the following sage observation: "A lawn is nature under totalitarian rule."

I bet you didn't know there's a word specifically used to refer to the space between your eyebrows. Yep: It's called the "ophryon."

It's not clear exactly why, but the United States' first first lady, Martha Washington, burned all the letters that President George Washington sent to her. And President Warren G. Harding's widow, Florence Harding, burned nearly all of his papers after his death.

If you're a runner -- and a compulsive counter -- you might already be aware of the fact that the average person's feet hit the ground approximately 800 times per mile when running.

A man who worked as a blacksmith in a small Russian village found what he was told was a dummy cannon shell that had been used for training purposes, and he decided it would make a great anvil. Unfortunately, it turns out that the shell wasn't a dummy after all; it exploded, killing the blacksmith -- but not until after he'd been using it for 10 years.

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